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Gladioli, Peonies,
Irises

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA
1815 26th AVENUE NORTH

1923 CATALOGUE

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All orders are given my personal attention. In this catalogue will be found the newer varieties as well as the indispensable old sorts.

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GLADIOLI

The Gladiolus continues to gain in popularity and will soon be the most widely planted flower in cultivation. Great improvements are being made in the Primulinus Hybrids. The soft colors and graceful spikes make them very valuable for house decorations.

While the Gladiolus is very easy to grow and will stand neglect, the observance of the following simple cultural directions will insure greater success.

Plant in full exposure to the sun in any well enriched garden soil, avoiding direct contact with manure. Plant any time from April 15th to May 15th or even June 1st. You will have bloom in about ninety days from planting. Plant about four inches deep and about four inches apart. In order to secure a longer period of bloom, plant about eight inches apart and then plant in between when those first planted have come through the ground.

After the first frost dig them up and cut off the tops close to the bulb. After they have dried remove the roots and the old bulb and store in a dry frost-proof place.

	Each	Doz.
Alice Tiplady. A grand, large Primulinus of most beautiful orange safron color. Very choice.....	.20	2.00
America. Soft lavender pink, wide open flowers. Very popular.....	.05	.50
Anna Eberius. Dark velvety purple; throat deeper shade; flowers of large size, spikes 3 to 4 feet high; fine long, well-set spikes.....	.25	2.50
Blue Jay. Bright light blue, with creamy white blotch on lower petals	.20	2.00
Byron L. Smith. Refined lavender pink on white ground, equal to a choice orchid. Extra fine .....	.35	3.50
Elora. Creamy white with rich cream throat on lower petals overlaid with dainty featherings of American Beauty pink. Large blooms on slender, stiff stems. Early.....	1.00	10.00

GLADIOLI

	Each	Doz.
Empress of India. A rich dark red, almost black .....	.10	1.00
Europa. Pure white without marks of any kind; many open at once. Makes a very fine spike of wide open flowers .....	.20	2.00
Evaline. Violet underlaid terra-cotta. This is an odd flower and much admired .....	.05	.50
Evelyn Kirtland. Beautiful shade of rosy pink, darker at the edges, fading to shell pink at the center, with brilliant scarlet blotches on lower petals. Wide open flowers, giant spike .....	.15	1.50
Flora. A very large, beautiful yellow. One of the best yellows.....	.25	2.50
Golden Spray. Golden yellow flushed pink, beautiful red blotch on lower petals, ending in a narrow red line. This is a primulinus hybrid of beautiful coloring and graceful form. The buds resemble a Mrs. Aaron Ward rose. A rapid multiplier. One of our own seedlings .....	.25	2.50
Goliath. Very large dark wine colored flowers. Very fine.....	.15	1.50
Gretchen Zang. Shell pink with slightly deeper edges and scarlet throat. Large and fine.....	.10.	1.00
Halley. Very large wide open flower of delicate salmon pink. Very early .....	.05	.50
Helen Franklin. Pure ruffled white with violet markings on lower petals, vigorous and tall, with strong, straight spike. Early.....	.15	1.50
Herada. Blooms of immense size on tall, straight spike. Pure mauve with deeper shadings in throat.....	.10	1.00
Hohenstauffen. Ivory white with a large red blotch on primrose ground .....	.05	.50

GLADIOLI

	Each	Doz.
Ida Van. Large open flowers, solid bright red to flaming pink, with darker shade of red in lower petals .....	.10	1.00
Jean Dieulafoy. One of the indispensable sorts. Very wide creamy white flowers with lower petals blotched maroon .....	.10	1.00
Lily White. A clear white which is fine for cutting. Nicely formed flower spike with many open.....	.20	2.00
Louise. Very large lavender with dark wine penciling on lower petals. Very fine .....	.35	3.50
Mrs. Frank Pendleton. Delicate light pink with large blotch of dark red. A striking variety .....	.10	1.00
Mrs. W. E. Fryer. Orange scarlet. very showy .....	.15	1.50
Mr. Mark. Light blue with reddish blotch in the throat. Very fine.....	.20	2.00
Mrs. Dr. Norton. White with edges suffused with soft "LaFrance" pink, lower petals with golden and Tyrian Rose. A beautiful flower.....	.25	2.50
Mrs. Francis King. Light scarlet long spikes of immense flowers. One of the most popular.....	.05	.50
Mrs. H. E. Bothin. Flesh salmon pink with a flame scarlet center. Very large flower. Extra .....	.50	5.00
Mrs. Watt. Brilliant wine red. Solid color. A strong upright grower.....	.05	.50
Orange Glory. Large ruffled, orange color with beautiful lighter throat..	.25	2.50
Panama. Fine large pink. A seedling of America, but a darker pink	.05	.50
Peace. A strong white with delicate lilac penciling on lower petals.....	.10	1.00
Pink Beauty. Rose pink with dark blotch. One of the earliest.....	.10	1.00

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	Each	Doz.
Pink Wonder. Truly a wonderful Gladiolus, a strong, vigorous grower, flowers often measuring over 6 inches across. The color is a shade lighter than "Panama" with yellow shading at base of lower petals, overlaid with rose feathering.....	1.00	10.00
Pride of Goshen. A giant "Kunderdi Glory" of a salmon or flesh pink. Flowers very large and petals elegantly waved. Exceptionally tall and vigorous plant .....	.15	1.50
Pride of Lancaster. A brilliant orange salmon. Rich fiery deeper orange throat. Tall, good sized blooms. A beautiful ruffled variety .....	.35	3.50
Primulinus Hybrids. These are selected hybrids of the dainty yellow primulinus species. They have larger flowers than the species and come in delicate shades of yellow and salmon and blush. These hybrids are becoming very popular because of their grace and beauty. We have priced them very low to encourage you to plant liberally.....	.05	.50
Princeps. Immense amaryllis-like flowers of a rich dark scarlet, marked with white on lower petals .....	.05	.50
Principine. Clear bright crimson with large white blotch in throat. A good spike and an attractive flower .....	.05	.50
Prince of Wales. The finest of the salmon varieties. Large flower and early. In demand wherever known .....	.10	1.00
Purple Glory. The giant of the Kunderdi Glory race and of remarkable color. Deepest velvety maroon red, with almost black blotches beautifully ruffled	1.00	10.00

GLADIOLI

	Each	Doz.
Red Emperor. Immense pure, deep scarlet flowers, which are well placed on a tall, wiry stem, magnificent .....	.20	2.00
Rosella. Large light rose, wide open and flat, with a white throat.....	.10	1.00
Salmon Beauty. Very large flowered primulinus. Deep salmon with rich salmon yellow throat.....	.15	1.50
Schwaben. Delicate pale yellow with a maroon blotch. A strong grower and a very fine flower.....	.10	1.00
Shakopee. Salmon pink; salmon blotch on yellow ground, with a plum-colored mark in the center. A distinct and beautiful flower. Our own seedling and can be obtained nowhere else .....	.50	5.00
War. Deep blood red, shaded crimson black, with large open flowers. Tall strong grower.....	.10	1.00
White Wonder. A truly wonderful large pure white, softly tinted pink and entirely without throat markings. Flowers are very large and well placed on strong, straight stems	1.00	10.00
Yellow Hammer. Large beautiful yellow flowers. Strong grower. A valuable addition to the list of yellow varieties .....	.10	1.00
Forest Heights Mixture. A mixture of good named varieties including many of those listed above.....		.50
Dollar Collection. For your convenience we recommend the following collection: America, Evaline, Fire King, Halley, Ida Van, Mrs. Francis King, Mrs. Frank Pendleton, Mrs. Watt, Panama, Peace, Pink Beauty, Principine, Schwaben, War; one of each, separately labeled.....		1.00

IRISES

The Iris is a flower which has recently sprung into great popular favor. The modern Iris is wonderfully beautiful, and is fittingly called the "Rainbow Flower." Everyone should have some of the varieties described in this catalogue. They can be planted either in the spring or fall. S. as used in the descriptions, indicates standards or upright petals and F. indicates falls or drooping petals.

The names and spelling and also the synonyms in this catalogue conform to the Iris Check List of the American Iris Society and so may be regarded as authoritative. I have also given the American Iris Society rating of each variety, except on such varieties as have not yet received a rating. The scale is from 1 to 10. Six and seven are considered good, but varieties receiving less should not be propagated and I offer none in this catalogue. Eight is very good, 8.5 fine, 9 very fine, and 9.5 almost perfect.

BEARDED IRISES

	Each
8.9 Alcazar (Vilmorin, 1910). S. light bluish violet; F. deep purple with bronze-veined throat. Very striking....	1.25
7.8 Amas. Syn. Macrantha S. rich blue; F. violet. Very large and handsome. 2 feet .....	.35
8.3 Anne Leslie (Sturtevant 1918). S. white rose tinted; F. dahlia carmine, orange beard. 27 inches.....	2.00
8.3 Archeveque (Vilmorin, 1911). Syn. Archbishop. S. deep purple violet; F. deep velvety violet. Immense flowers	1.00
7.4 Aurea (Jacques, 1830). Syn. Canary Bird. S. and F. rich chrome yellow Large flowers of excellent form. 2 feet25

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	Each
7.1 Blue Jay (Farr, 1913). S. bright clear blue; F. intense dark blue. 30 inches	.50
6.3 Buriensis (De Bure, 1820). Syn. Bariensis. S. and F. white, frilled with a border of rose lilac	.35
7.5 Caprice (Vilmorin, 1904). S. rosy red; F. deeper rosy red, beard yellow. Handsome, 2 feet	.75
7.1 Celeste (Lemon, 1855-58). Syn. Halleriana, H. Cramer, Pale azure blue, 30 inches	.25
6.8 Darius (Parker, 1873). S. rich canary-yellow; F. lilac, margined white, with rich orange beard. Beautiful, 20 inches	.25
7.6 Dorothea. Intermediate (Caparne, 1901). Syn. Dorothee. S. and F. deep lavender fading to light lavender, opening like Japanese irises, 15-18 inches	.35
7.4 Dr. Bernice (1867). Syn. Magnifica, Dr. Berenice, Dr. Bernie, S. Coppery bronze; F. velvety crimson, large flower 24 inches	.25
8.6 Edouard Michel (Verdier, 1904), S. rosy mauve; F. deeper mauve. Flowers unusually large and handsome	2.00
7.8 Eldorado (Vilmorin, 1910). S. yellowish bronze shaded heliotrope. F. bright violet purple touched at sides with bronze yellow. Distinct and rich	.75
8.0 Fairy. White delicately bordered and suffused soft blue, 2 feet	.25
7.6 Florentina (about 1500). Syn. Florentina Alba, creamy white flushed lavender. Early and fragrant. 2 feet	.15
7.4 Fritjof. Intermediate (Goos & Koenemann, 1910). S. soft lavender; F. purple shaded lavender	.35
7.5 Fro (Goos & Koenemann, 1910). S. orange; F. Mahogany brown and white	.50

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6.5	Gertrude (Peterson, 1907). Standards and falls rare violet blue.....	.50
7.6	Gloire de Hillegom. S. and F. of clear, light blue. Tall35
6.2	Hector (Lemon, 1840). Syn. Jenny Lind, Julius Caesar. S. clear lemon-yellow; F. rich brown plum; lighter in center. 2 feet .....	.25
7.3	Her Majesty (Perry, 1903). S. lively rose pink; F. bright crimson tinged a darker shade .....	.35
7.7	Ingeborg (Goos & Koenemann 1908). Immense pure white flower. Very fine. 2 feet .....	.50
6.5	Iroquois (Farr, 1909). S. smoky lavender, dotted brown; F. black maroon reticulated white at base; tall and striking .....	.50
8.6	Isoline (Vilmorin, 1904). S. silvery lilac; F. mauve with orange beard. Very large handsome flowers of fine form	1.00
8.0	Jacquesiana (Lemon, 1840). Syn. Jacquiniiana. S. bright coppery crimson; F. rich maroon. Distinct and beautiful. 30 inches .....	.25
7.8	Jeanne d'Arc (Verdier, 1907). White frilled lilac. Beautiful and very fragrant .....	.50
7.8	Kochi Syn. American Black Prince. S. and F. rich claret purple. Handsome and early. 20 inches.....	.25
7.3	Leonidas Syn. Yolandie. S. and F. rosy mauve. Large flowers of fine form....	.35
8.2	Lohengren (Goos & Koenemann, 1910). S. and F. uniform soft shade of silvery lilac. Very large50
6.5	Lord Grey. (Lemon, 1840). Clouded rose fawn. 2 feet25
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9.1 Lord of June (Yeld 1916). A very fine Iris of huge proportions. S. of lavender blue; F. rich violet blue, Very bold and vigorous habit. One of the finest Irises. 40 inches.....	5.00
7.9 Loreley (Goos & Koenemann about 1909). S. lemon yellow; F. ultramarine blue bordered cream and veined white .....	.35
8.1 Ma Mie (Cayeux & Leclerc, 1906). S. pure white frilled violet; F. pure white pencilled and margined violet. Very fine .....	.35
Manuelita (Kenning 1921). S. bronze crimson; F. maroon. Handsome and distinct	2.00
6.1 Maori King (Ware, 1890). S. rich golden yellow; F. velvety crimson, margined gold. One of the most brilliant. 18 inches .....	.25
7.1 Mars (Caparne 1901). Deep violet purple, blue beard, dark foliage. Very handsome and distinct .....	.75
6.7 Mary Minanelle (1854) Syn. Maria Milanollo. White with a faint tinge of lavender. A medium sized flower....	.25
7.5 Mithras (Goos & Koenemann, 1910). S. light yellow; F. brilliant wine red with narrow border of deep yellow.....	.50
7.4 Mme. Chereau (Lemon, 1844). White, elegantly frilled with a wide border of blue .....	.25
8.5 Monsignor (Vilmorin, 1907). S. rich satiny violet; F. velvety purple crimson with deeper veinings and lighter margin. Large, handsome flower. 28 inches .....	.50
7.6 Mrs. Alan Gray (Foster, 1909). Delicate pale rose-mauve. Beautiful. 30 inches75

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6.8 Mrs. Horace Darwin (Foster, 1893). Syn. Camellia (not Fryers). Pure white, falls slightly reticulated violet at the base. Free flowering.....	.15
6.8 Mrs. Neubronner (Ware, 189-). Very deep golden yellow .....	.35
7.4 Navajo (Farr, 1913). S. light bronze yellow shaded lavender; F. deep ma- roon heavily veined white and yellow, deep orange beard. 20 inches.....	1.00
7.3 Nibelungen (Goos & Koenemann, 1910). S. fawn-yellow; F. violet purple on bronze. Very large flowers.....	.50
8.0 Nine Wells (Foster, 1909). S. light blue; F. deep purple violet, showing a white ground at the throat. Strong grower, late bloomer. 4 feet.....	1.00
7.8 Odoratissima. Handsome iris of uni- form, rich lavender-blue. Fragrant....	.50
7.8 Oriflamme (Vilmorin, 1904). S. laven- der of great size; F. deep velvety violet blue; broad long firm textured. An immense handsome flower.....	1.00
6.8 Othello (Lemon, 1848). Syn. Sappho Neglecta, Berlin. S. very dark laven- der; F. deep rich purple.....	.25
8.8 Pallida Dalmatica (before 1600). Syn. Mme. Almira. S. lavender; F. clear deep lavender. Flowers very large. One of the best.....	.35
8.1 Parc de Neuilly (Verdier, 1910). A rich purple self. Large flowers	1.00
7.9 Parisiana (Vilmorin, 1911). S. white ground, dotted and shaded lilac pur- ple. F. white frilled at the edge with lilac. Large flowers. 30 inches.....	.75
7.8 Perfection (Barr). S. light blue; F. dark velvety violet black with orange beard. Handsome flower. 24 inches	.35

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8.0	Powhatan (Farr, 1913). S. light bishop violet with deeper border; F. deep purple shaded crimson. Large flower.....	.75
8.3	Prosper Laugier (Verdier, 1914). S. fiery bronze; F. Velvety purple, like a pansy bloom. A new bronze variety in a striking combination of correctly blended colors. 30 inches.....	.75
8.4	Quaker Lady (Farr, 1909). S. lilac mauve; F. deeper shade with old gold tinge. A modest though highly pleasing effect .....	.75
7.5	Queen Alexandra (Barr). Standards fawn shot with lilac, reticulated bronze at base. Beautiful. 30 inches	.50
7.4	Queen of May (Salter before 1859). Syn. Rosy Gem, Brooksiana, Dr. Par-net. A lovely soft rose-lavender, almost pink. 32 inches.....	.25
8.4	Rhein Nixe (Goos & Koenemann, 1910) S. pure white; F. Raspberry purple edged white. A vigorous grower. Always dependable. 30 inches.....	.50
6.9	Rose Unique (Farr, 1910). S. and F. bright violet rose, very near to a pink iris. Large flowering and handsome..	.75
8.2	Roseway (Bliss, 1919). Deep red-pink pallida. Very early. Strong branching spikes. Brightest of the so-called red pallidas so far raised. Almost a self. A very broad orange beard.....	10.00
7.6	Sherwin-Wright (Kohankie, 1915). S. and F. golden yellow. Vigorous growing and free flowering. 2 feet.....	.50
7.4	Tamarlan (Vilmorin, 1904). S. violet-purple of intermediate shade; F. deeper in color. A strikingly beautiful iris with large flowers.....	.75
8.1	Trojana. (Species. Kerner.) A magnificent plant 3-4 feet high with branched spikes of very large flowers. S. light violet blue; F. deep purple violet35

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	Each
6.5 Victorine (Lemon, 1840). Syn. Gladstone. S. white, sometimes mottled blue; F. violet blue mottled white. Very beautiful. 27 inches25
8.0 Violacea Grandiflora (1860). S. rich blue; F. violet-blue. Handsome.....	.35
7.3 Walhalla (Goos & Koenemann, 1908). S. lavender; F. wine red. Large flower, free bloomer. Intermediate.....	.35
7.1 W. F. Christman (Fryer, 1917). S. white tinged violet; F. purple, reticulated white, with light border. Yellow beard. Fragrant free bloomer. 22 inches .....	.75
7.2 Wyomissing (Farr, 1909). S. creamy white suffused delicate soft rose, F. deep rose base, shading to flesh colored border .....	.75
7.5 Zua (Crawford, 1914). S. and F. bluish lavender ruffled and crimped like crepe paper. Very distinct and should be in every collection.....	2.00

BEARDLESS IRISES

Coerulea. Native of Turkestan. Handsome large light blue flowers.....	.25
Orientalis. Intensely brilliant blue flowers. 3 feet .....	.15
Orientalis Superba. Large violet blue; handsome foliage reaching almost to the flowers .....	.15
Siberian (Purple). Small delicate flowers. Grass-like foliage.....	.15
Siberian Snow Queen. Like the above variety but white .....	.15
True Blue. The best blue Siberian iris. The plant and foliage are all one could wish and the flowers are borne on stiff stems. 30 inches high.....	.50

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PEONIES (Fall Delivery Only)

The peony is fast becoming the queen of flowers and rivals the rose in this respect. In mere gorgeousness it easily surpasses the rose and its only drawback is its comparatively short season of bloom. This can be overcome to a large extent by selecting early, midseason and late varieties, also by planting in both sunny and semi-shaded locations. The peony is an ideal flower for the Northwest, as it is perfectly hardy without coddling.

The numbers preceding the name of the variety indicate the rating given by the American Peony Society on a scale of 1 to 10. The high quality of our varieties is evidenced by these ratings.

	Each
8.6 Albert Crouse (Crouse, 1893). Very large flat compact bomb. Sea shell salmon pink, flecked crimson. Fragrant, tall, erect, free bloomer. Like a big flesh pink carnation, midseason..	1.50
7.8 Augustin d'Hour (Calot, 1867). Large compact perfect bomb without stamens. Deep rose red. Free bloomer. Stands alone as the best early red bomb .....	.75
7.6 Ben Franklin (Brand, 1907). A brilliant crimson with darker shadings at base of petals. One of the most striking dark peonies	2.00
8.1 Corounne d'Or (Calot, 1872). Large flat semi-rose type. Pure white with ring of yellow stamens around a tuft of center petals, tipped carmine. Free bloomer. Late. One of the best white varieties .....	.75
7.1 Delachei (Delachei, 1856). Large, medium, compact rose type. Violet crimson, slightly tipped silver. Medium height, very free bloomer. Late mid-season .....	.50
8.1 Duchess de Nemours (Calot, 1856). Pure white crown, sulphur white collar, no crimson flecks. Early, free bloomer .....	.50

PEONIES

		Each
	Duchess de Orleans (Guerin, 1846). Medium large, compact bomb, Guards deep pink, center shaded salmon with silvery reflex .....	.50
7.6	Edulis Superba (Lemon, 1824). Large, loose, flat crown. Bright mauve pink; collar mixed with narrow lilac. Very fragrant. Strong free bloomer. Early .....	.50
8.3	Eugene Verdier (Calot, 1864). Very large compact rose type. Pale hy- drangea pink. Outer guard petals white. Very erect, strong stems, free bloomer	1.50
8.4	Felix Crouse (Crouse, 1881). Large globular, typical bomb. Brilliant red. Vigorous and free bloomer. One of the best red varieties. Late .....	.75
9.3	Festiva Maxima (Mieliez, 1851). Very large globular flower of rose type. Color pure white with crimson flecks. Tall strong grower and free bloomer. One of the best. Early.....	.50
8.8	Grandiflora (Richardson). Rose type, very late. Bright seashell pink over- laid with delicate lilac and salmon pink. An immense beautiful peony..	1.00
	L' Esperence (Guerin). Very lovely rose-pink; large, fine form and de- lightfully fragrant, profuse bloomer. Early .....	.50
7.9	Madam de Verneville (Guerin, 1885). Large flower with outer petals of flesh color and center buff white with carmine stripes. Free bloomer. Fra- grant, midseason .....	.75
7.9	Madam Ducel (Mechlin, 1880). Very large, globular bloom of soft pink, with silvery reflex. Fragrant. Strong grower and free bloomer. Early.....	.75
7.9	Madam Geissler (Crouse, 1880). Very large glossy silvery pink edged white, Fragrant	1.00

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	Each
8.4 Marguerite Gerard (Crouse, 1892). Very large full flower; flesh pink fading to creamy white. Strong and free bloomer. Extra fine. Late.....	1.50
8.7 Mary Brand (Brand, 1907). Very large flower of a pleasing deep red color. A strong grower and a free bloomer. Midseason	5.00
7.3 Midnight (Brand, 1907). Large very dark maroon. Midseason	2.00
8.6 Mikado (Barr). Late dark crimson Japanese. Cup shaped guard petals enclosing a filigree cushion of peta- loids which are crimson edged and tipped with gold	2.00
8.3 Monsieur Dupont (Calot, 1872). Im- mense cup shaped flower opening flat when in full bloom. Glistening ivory white, center petals bordered car- mine. Golden stamens mingled with petals throughout the flower. Fra- grant. Late midseason	1.00
9.2 Monsieur Jules Elie (Crouse, 1888). Very large, compact, bomb type. Pale lilac rose, strong grower, free bloom- er. Very fragrant. One of the best pinks. Early	1.00
7.7 Monsieur Krelage (Crouse, 1882). Large compact, semi-rose type. Dark sol- ferino red with silvery tips, strong, free bloomer. Late.....	.75
7.2 Rubra Superba (Richardson). Large compact bloom of rose type. Deep car- mine rose or crimson. Medium grow- er and rather shy bloomer. Very late..	.75



